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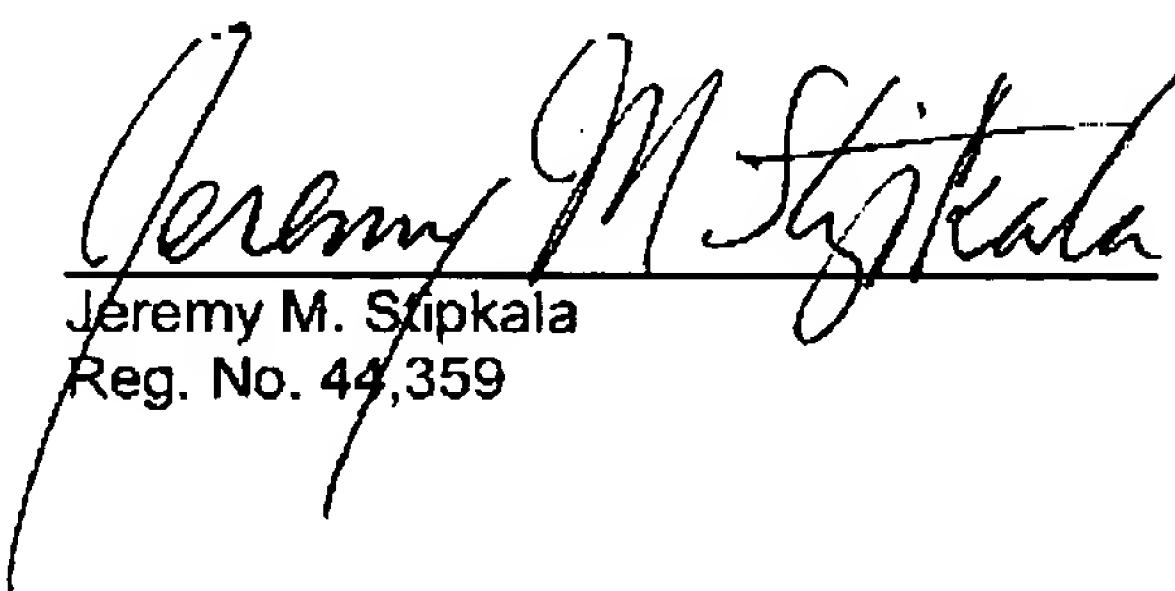
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In re Application of: )  
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Date: December 17, 1998 ) Confirmation No.: 8325  
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For: PREPARATION OF CELLS FOR )  
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Sir:

**REQUEST FOR RESTARTING THE PERIOD FOR REPLY**

The Examiner of this application is respectfully requested to reset the mailing date of the Office Action of October 20, 2004, and accordingly, restart the period for response thereto.

This request is made because Applicant's representative has never received the Office Action of October 20, 2004. On February 3, 2005, the undersigned telephoned Examiner B. Li to follow up on Applicant's Amendment filed on July 30, 2004. On February 4, 2005, Examiner Li telephoned the undersigned to indicate that this application has been transferred to Examiner Lankford, who issued an Office Action on October 20, 2004. The existence of a pending Office Action was not available to the undersigned, since this application cannot be accessed by PAIR. On February 7, 2005,

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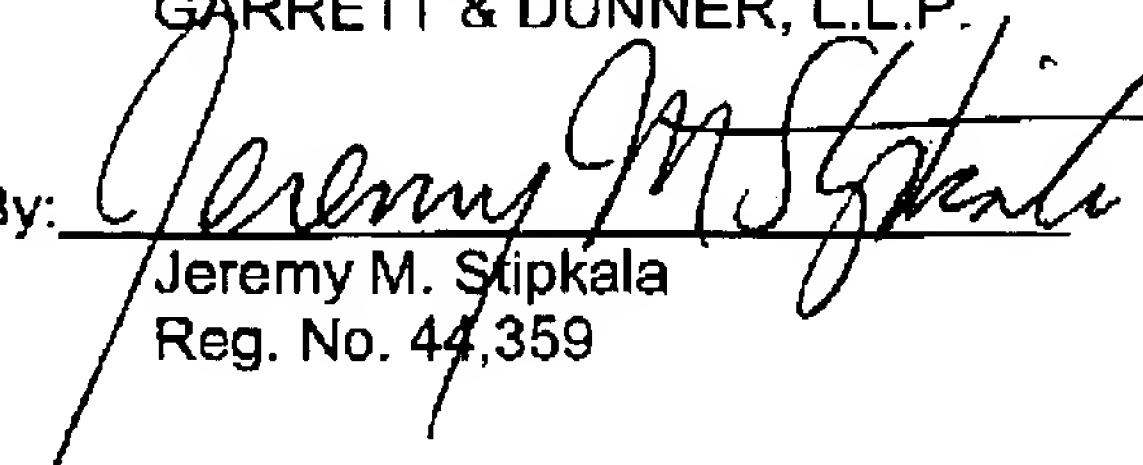
Examiner Lankford instructed the undersigned to file the present paper to request a resetting of the period for reply.

In response to this letter, the Examiner is requested to provide a copy of the October 20, 2004 Office Action and any attachments, and to indicate that the period for reply has been restarted as of the mailing date of the Examiner's reply to the present Request.

Please charge any fees associated with the filing of this Request to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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